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## Governor's Watershed Initiative

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Governor's Watershed Initiative Take Pride in Utah Day

## State Water Quality Director, Ogden Canyon Club Promote Watershed Improvement During Take Pride in Utah Day

Today, as part of the Governor's Watershed Initiative, about 100 volunteers from the Ogden Canyon Club as well as the director of the Utah Division of Water Quality, Don Ostler, worked to clean the stream bank of the Ogden River.

The project extended from the mouth of the canyon to Pineview Reservoir. Ostler also presented the Governor's Watershed Improvement Award to the Ogden Canyon Club for participating in the Adopt-A-Waterbody program.

Numerous community groups from around the state are working to improve watersheds by adopting local water bodies. The Ogden River Watershed is an important community resource in Weber County. Several groups located above and below the Pineview Reservoir have been working in recent years to improve the quality of Ogden River and its surrounding areas.

Some of the goals of the Governor's Watershed Initiative are to improve 25 watersheds throughout the state, provide watershed education in schools and to increase awareness about the importance of watersheds to all Utahns.

"It is my goal to provide for cleaner rivers and lakes, to enhance water yield, and to increase public awareness and wise use of Utah's watersheds, said Utah Governor Olene S. Walker. "Watersheds are important to all Utahns because they provide the life-giving supply of water that grows our food and

provides for our needs.”

The Governor is calling on individual volunteers, families and organizations of all sizes to get involved by adopting a waterbody.

“We’ve set a lofty goal to take care of these vast areas, but together I know we can meet it. Our watersheds are our life sheds, Walker added”

To find out more about the Governor’s Watershed Initiative and the Adopt-A-Waterbody program. Go to the Adopt-A-Waterbody web site: <http://adoptawaterbody.utah.gov>.

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